FISCAL NOTE

SB 2964 - HB 3376

March 8, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the TCRS Board of Trustees to set employer contribution rates for employers at a rate not less than the employee's contribution rate for contributory employees regardless of the rate recommended by the actuary. The bill further requires that the Board certify such retirement improvements as are available due to such rates being set at a rate higher than they otherwise would have been.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – Any fiscal impact during the next two years will be not significant since employer rates through June 30, 2008 for teachers (6.13%) will be greater than the employees' rate (5%). However, when employer rates drop below 5% for teachers, an additional cost to the state will be incurred for any benefit improvements which must be imposed. Such cost cannot be determined in advance but will be significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director